

The background of the slide is a composite image. The top left portion shows two yellow school buses, with the one in front having the number '32' on its side. The bottom left portion shows a classroom with blue walls, decorated with colorful balloons and framed pictures. Several white student desks and black chairs are arranged in the room.

Title I, Part A District Coordinator Webinar

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Logistics

- Submit questions or comments in the chat or send an email to erin.sudduth@education.ky.gov.
- The webinar will be recorded and posted on the Title I Documents and Resources webpage

Recap from January Webinar

- Release of Census Data
- Aligning Grant Management Application Planning (GMAP) and MUNIS

Agenda

- Reminders
- Notification of intent to participate to nonpublic schools
- Timely and meaningful consultation with nonpublic schools

Reminders

- Check the status of open applications within GMAP to ensure your district's application is marked KDE Consolidated Consultant Approved.
- The challenge period provided by the Census Bureau regarding tentative census poverty and hold harmless percentages for the 2022-2023 school year ends **March 16, 2022**. Additional information regarding the challenge period is available in the January webinar.

Equitable Services

- ESSA requires districts to annually offer equitable participation in Title I, Part A services to each private school that has children from participating Title I, Part A attendance areas.
 - Title I, Part A provides services to eligible private school children, not funds to private schools.
- Private schools located within or outside the district are eligible to receive Title I, Part A services.
- Home schools are treated as private schools in Kentucky.
- The term “nonpublic schools” will be used hereafter in reference to private and home schools.

Intent to Participate

- Every school year (late winter/early spring), the district must contact officials from all nonpublic schools serving students in participating school attendance areas.
- A sample letter of notification and participation survey are available in the Title I, Part A Sample Documents folder on our webpage.
- The district may set a reasonable deadline, taking into consideration private school schedules, for nonpublic schools to indicate their intent to participate.
 - Be sure to provide clear and sufficient notice of the deadline and identify potential consequences for not meeting the deadline.

Documenting the Notification

- The method used to notify nonpublic schools is at the district's discretion; however, the notification should be documented.
- In the event the district is selected for monitoring, KDE will ask to see dated communication inviting nonpublic schools to participate in services.
 - Certified mail
 - Email with a read receipt
- Districts are not required to submit completed intent to participate forms to KDE.

Intent to Participate v. Declaration of Participation

Intent to Participate

- Applies to Title I, Part A.
- For nonpublic schools serving students who reside in participating school attendance areas.
 - May include nonpublic schools physically located outside the district's geographic boundaries.
- Information on participating nonpublic schools will be included in the Title I, Part A GMAP application.

Declaration of Participation

- Applies to Title II-A, Title III, Title IV-A and IDEA-B.
 - Nonpublic school membership data directly impacts the per-pupil dollar amount allocated to districts for Title III and IDEA-B.
- For nonpublic schools physically located within district's geographic boundaries.
- Completed by districts in GMAP Application Supplements.

Consultation

- Districts are required to provide “timely and meaningful consultation” to eligible nonpublic schools that elect to receive services.
 - This occurs between district officials that represent the Title I program and nonpublic school officials that will help with the consultation process
- Districts and nonpublic school officials “shall have the goal of reaching agreement on how to best provide equitable and effective programs to eligible private school children.” [ESSA 1117(b)(1)]
- A list of consultation topics is available on pages 36-37 of the [Title I Handbook](#).

Notification and Consultation Timeline

- The district must initiate the consultation process.
- Consultation must include early discussions to prepare for the next school year so that there is a timely start to the Title I program.
 - KDE suggests consultation occur in March or April.
- Consultation must occur during the design and development of the Title I program and before the district makes any decisions that affect the opportunity for eligible nonpublic school children, their teachers and their families to participate in the Title I program.

Consultation Agreement Form

- KDE's [Equitable Services Consultation Packet](#) must be used during consultation meetings to guide the conversation between the district and the nonpublic school. The packet contains:
 - A needs assessment for each federal program
 - A “Nonpublic School Consultation Agreement”
- Jointly complete the applicable needs assessment(s) with the nonpublic school.
- Maintain signed copies of the forms at the district office.
 - The completed, signed packet(s) must be uploaded to the GMAP District Document Library when the FY2023 consolidated application opens.

Updates to the Consultation Packet

- The consultation packet was recently updated. Be sure you're using the current version available on our webpage.
- The most recent version and other resources related to equitable services can be found on KDE's [Ombudsman webpage](#).
- Most significant changes include:
 - Title I, Part A: One additional question/checkbox about administrative costs
 - Title I, Part C: Generalizing language around the meeting programs goal as the state delivery plan will be reviewed this year; required assurance
 - Other small language changes throughout

Questions?

Reminder: CARES-ESSER I funds

- Continue to spend CARES-ESSER I funds (Project 613F/613FP) on allowable purchases that align to your district's spending plan in GMAP.
- All funds must be spent or encumbered by Sept. 30, 2022.
- [Districts' award notifications](#) contain additional information about this grant.
- KDE will send email reminders to districts that have funds remaining.

Upcoming Webinar Dates

- Thursday, March 31, 10-11 a.m. ET
- Thursday, April 21, 10-11 a.m. ET
- Thursday, May 26, 10-11 a.m. ET
- Thursday, June 30, 10-11 a.m. ET
- Thursday, July 28, 10-11 a.m. ET
- Thursday, Aug. 25, 10-11 a.m. ET